#### S' M -11 REPLICA OF THE 1676 STATE HOUSE

1934

St. Mary's City
Open to the Public

Erected during Maryland's tercentenary year, this structure was constructed according to the original builder's specifications (except the chimneys which, on the original, were a later addition). The original State House, which stood in what is now the Trinity Church cemetery, was used for all State government functions until the removal of the Capital to Annapolis in 1694. The original was demolished in 1829 and its bricks used in the construction of the present Trinity Church. Many of the bricks used in the 1934 State House replica were salvaged from several early house sites within the county.

#### MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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NAME				
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	OF THE 1676 STATE	HOUSE		
AND/OR COMMON				
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St. Mar	y's City	VICINITY OF	COUNTY	
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CLASSIFIC	ATION			
CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESE	NT USE
DISTRICT	PUBLIC	OCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
BUILDING(S)	PRIVATE	UNOCCUPIED	COMMERCIAL	PARK
STRUCTURE	ВОТН	WORK IN PROGRESS	EDUCATIONAL	PRIVATE RESIDENC
SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	RELIGIOUS
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	YES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	_SCIENTIFIC
	BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED	INDUSTRIAL	_TRANSPORTATION
		NO	MILITARY	OTHER:
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CONDITION

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\_\_EXCELLENT

\_\_DETERIORATED

\_UNEXPOSED

\_\_UNALTERED

\_ORIGINAL SITE

\_\_GOOD \_\_FAIR \_RUINS

\_\_ALTERED

\_\_MOVED DATE\_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

## 8 SIGNIFICANCE

SPECIFIC DAT	ES 1934	BUILDER/ARCHITECT		
1700-1799 1800-1899 X1900-	ARTCOMMERCECOMMUNICATIONS	<pre>ENGINEERINGEXPLORATION/SETTLEMENTINDUSTRYINVENTION</pre>	MUSIC PHILOSOPHY POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	THEATERTRANSPORTATIONOTHER (SPECIFY)
1500-1599 1600-1699	ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORICAGRICULTUREARCHITECTURE	CONSERVATIONECONOMICSEDUCATION	LAW LITERATURE MILITARY	SCIENCE SCULPTURE SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
PERIOD  PREHISTORIC  1400-1499	ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	COMMUNITY PLANNING	_LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	RELIGION

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

### 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION	
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STATE	COUNTY
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11 FORM PREPARED BY NAME / TITLE	
ORGANIZATION	DATE
STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
CITY OR TOWN	STATE

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOMAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME

1. STATE Karyland
COUNTY St. Mary's County
TOWN St. Mary's VICINITY City
STREET NO.

ORIGINAL OWNER
ORIGINAL USE State House
PRESENT OWNER State Of Maryland
PRESENT USE MUSEUM
WALL CONSTRUCTION Brick
NO. OF STORIES TWO

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY

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2. NAME State House

DATE OR PERIOD 1676 - Reconstructed

STYLE Colonial 1934

ARCHITECT Crisp and Edmunds
BUILDER H.W. Peaslee, Walter Lovell

Inc. Bultimore

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

OPEN TO PUBLIC YES

The present State House at St. Mary's City was reconstructed in 1934 of the site of the original 1676 State House. It is a two-story brick building built in the form of a cross. The brick is laid in Flemish bond throughout. There are end chimneys which project outside the main walls and are free-standing above the second floor fireplaces. The main portion of the building runs north-south; the east portion of the cross is the stair tower and the west portion is a vestibule. There are double leaded casement windows with transoms on each side of the cross arms and on each side of the chimneys at both floor levels. There is a small casement window on each landing of the staircase, and behind the chimneys in the attic. Above the windows and doors are segmental arches. The doors and shutters are battened.

The exterior vestibule has arched openings on three sides.

The interior is divided into a main assembly room and a stair tower. The beams in the ceiling are exposed and the fireplaces are arched. The window jambs are sloping.

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered

Interior Very Good

Exterior Very Good



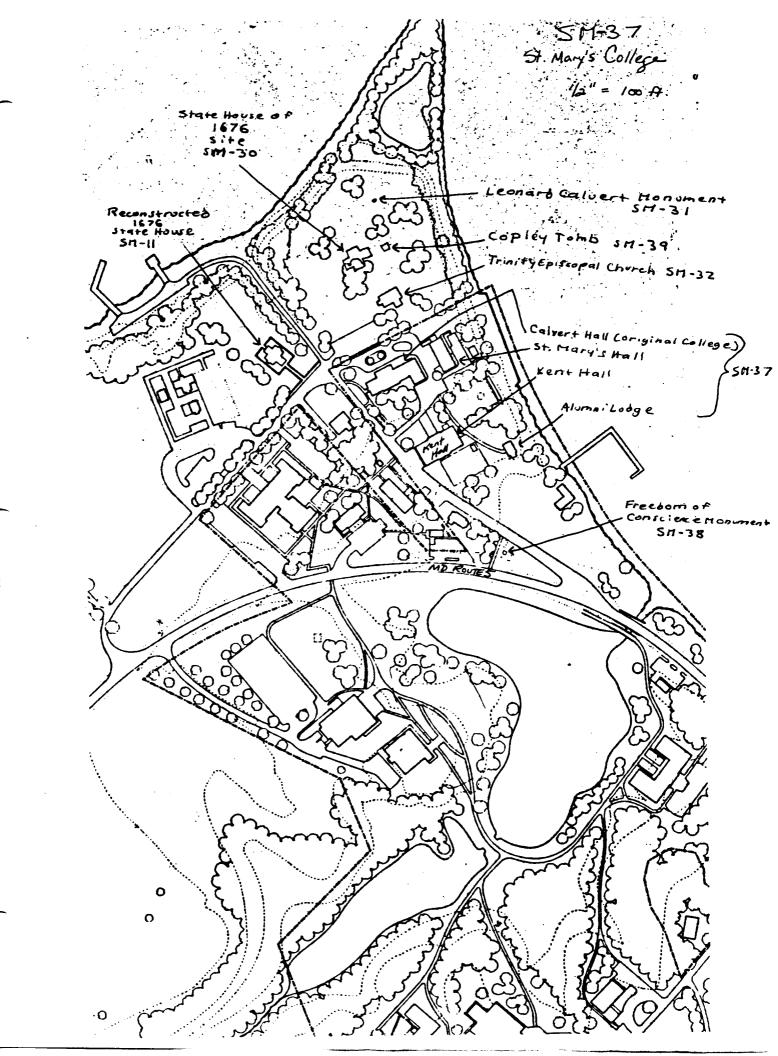
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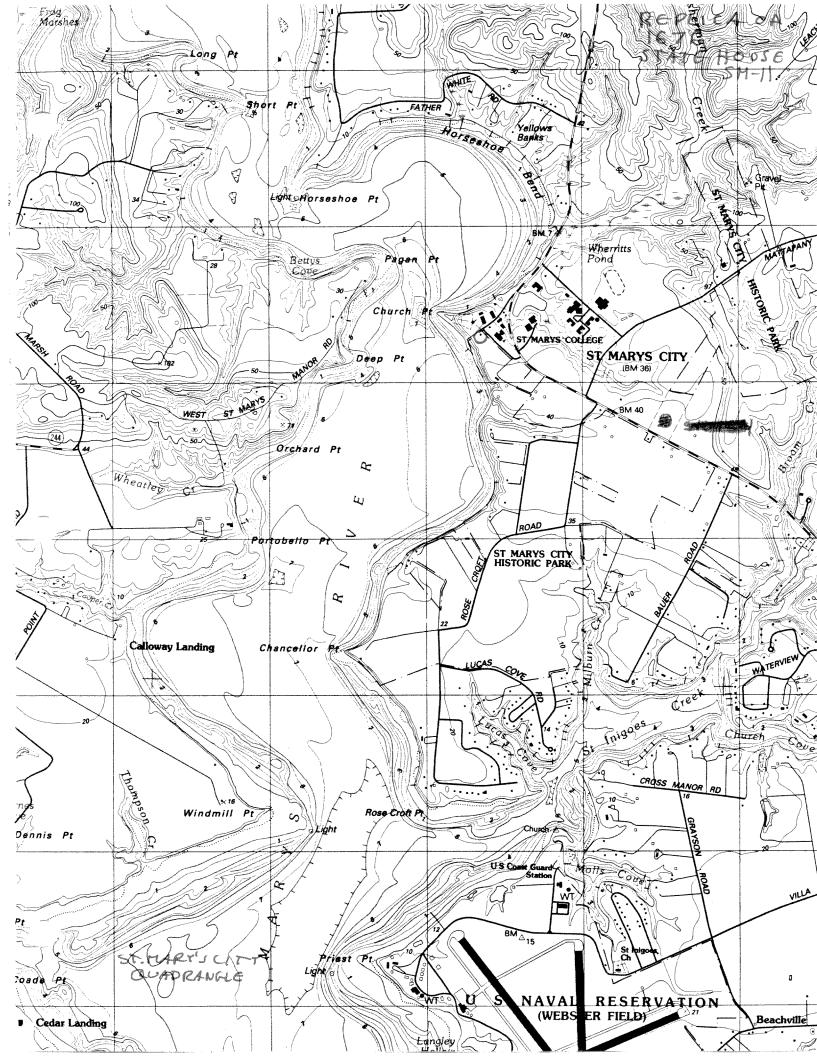
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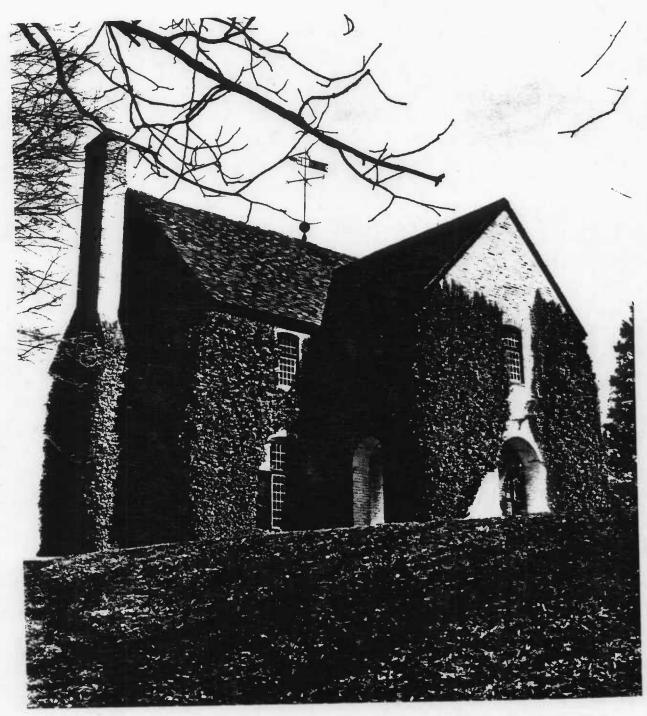


FIGURE 71: Reconstruction of the 1676 Statehouse, Built in 1934 based upon Historical and Archaeological Data.

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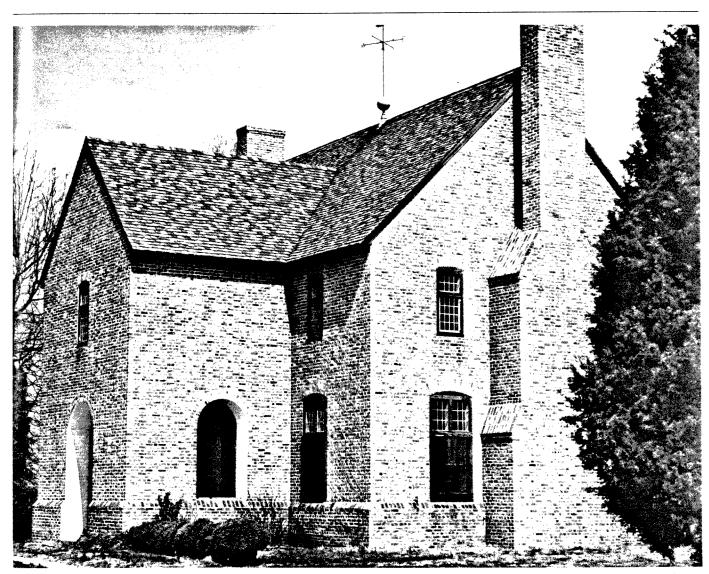
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By 1660, when the Stuart dynasty was restored to England's throne and the Calverts reasserted their full authority in Maryland, the province had experienced two decades of terror and turmoil. Compared to those disheartening days, the next thirty years were to be a golden age of peace, progress, and prosperity for St. Mary's City—the first, and unfortunately the last, time in the colonial era when all of Maryland's citizens had the full opportunity to seek their fortunes in an atmosphere of freedom.

Although St. Mary's City never became the major port and population center envisioned by Lord Baltimore—due to the lure of good tobacco lands along the

many distant creeks and rivers—the capital did experience a steady development after 1660 that reflected the province's new spirit of energy and enterprise. In 1642, when Maryland's English population was a mere 400, about a quarter of the settlers lived within the two square miles of fields and forests that were known as the St. Mary's "townlands." This 1,200-acre site at that time featured a mill, a forge, a chapel, and perhaps ten homes, but these frame dwellings were generally crude and impermanent, quickly rotting because of their post-in-ground "foundations" or often burning because of wooden chimneys and tarred roofs. Before 1660, the capital contained only two substantial structures, both dating to the first decade of settlement-the "Country's House" of Leonard Calvert ( $40 \times 67$  feet) and "St. John's," built by Secretary of State John Lewger (20  $\times$ 52 feet). But over the next thirty years, the growing



Reconstructed State House of 1676, Historic St. Mary's City, erected by the State of Maryland for its Tercentenary Celebration in 1934. The original building, the colony's capitol from 1676 to 1695, stood near Trinity Episcopal Church, which was built with its bricks in 1829.

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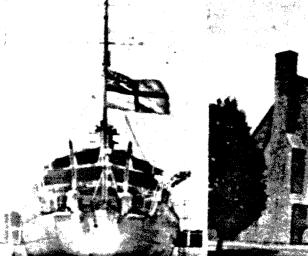


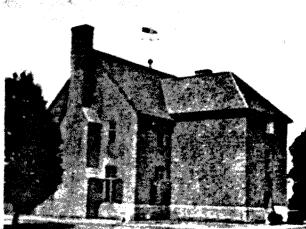
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TERCENTENARY EDITION

## 100,000 AT ST. MARYS CELEBRATION SEE HISTORY ROLL BACK 300 YEARS

BRITISH MAN OF WAR AND REPLICA OF FIRST STATE HOUSE





PARADES AND PAGEANTRY
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IN TWO DAY FETE

The front page headline of the Washington Times, Saturday, 16 June 1934.

When the long-awaited Tercentenary Celebration Weekend finally arrived, St. Mary's City was immediately transformed into the state's third largest urban area. The front-page headline in the Washington Times for Saturday, 16 June, trumpeted the news: "100,000 AT ST. MARYS CELEBRATION SEE HISTORY ROLL BACK 300 YEARS: Parades and Pageantry Mark Tercentenary in Two-Day Fete." The Baltimore Evening Sun for Friday, 15 June, proclaimed: "THOUSANDS SEE ARK AND DOVE ARRIVE: Old St. Mary's Host to Crowds for Pageantry." Hundreds of power boats, schooners, bugeyes, excursion steamers, Chesapeake crab boats, and yachts of every description jostled for position in a clogged harbor to catch a glimpse of Governor Ritchie's flagship, Dupont, the British cruiser H.M.S. Dundee, two American destroyers, U.S.S. Manley and Overton, Sea Scouts in a miniature replica of "Old Ironsides," an oyster-patrol schooner refitted as the \*\*rk," and a naval motor-launch similarly disguised as

"Dove." Special channels in the St. Mary's River were kept clear of boats for the landing of the several sea-planes that circled the festival site. On the ground, the thousands who mingled, and the dozens who fainted, in the stifling 100-degree heat, included Brit-

ish sailors futilely trying to buy American hot dogs with shillings and pence (a Baltimore bank set up a currency exchange at the last minute); pageant "Indians in full headdress [who] elbowed their way to . . . the temporary bars . . . [and] tossed off their steins of real beer"; concessionaires in a tent-city of food stands, dispensing some 14,000 gallons of lemonade, 40 half-barrels of beer, and 2,500 pounds of hot dogs; and police officers from six states patrolling the grounds for known pickpockets (Baltimore City detectives nabbed a couple). One of the most noticed revelers was 102-year-old Mary Ellen Jones ("Aunt Pigeon"), a former Langley family slave who was the cook for the Seminary in the late nineteenth century, as she sat under a shade tree surrounded by dozens of her descendants.

After two exhausting days of speeches, unveilings, dedications, tributes, gun salutes, band music, historical pageants, and evening light shows from the harbor, the revelers departed and allowed the ancient capital city to return to its tranquil repose.

Nothing could match the magnitude of Maryland's tercentenary party, but six years later, the 100th anniversary of St. Mary's Female Seminary-Junior College had an equivalent emotional intensity for those closest



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